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Human Rights Commission Names New Deputy Director

Sabrina Hooper has joined the Tennessee Human Rights Commission as the Deputy Director.

At the THRC, her duties will include working closely with the Executive Director to fulfill the mission of the Commission. She will specifically be responsible for managing the agency's enforcement program and monitoring the EEOC and HUD contracts. Ms. Hooper graduated from Murray State University in Murray, Kentucky, with a master's degree in Public Administration.

"We are pleased to have Sabrina's expertise and knowledge in civil rights compliance, investigations and enforcement on our staff. She will be an excellent addition as we strive to fulfill our mission for the people of Tennessee," said Executive Director Beverly Watts.

For the last three years, she has worked as Director/ADA Coordinator - Office of Equal Opportunity for Murray State. In that capacity, she was responsible to the University President for all aspects of the University's compliance with federal/state laws, regulations and university policies/procedures regarding Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity. She also served on the President's Cabinet where policies, procedures and general institutional operational issues were discussed and managed. She was appointed by the President to act as the institutional representative with the Council on Post-Secondary Education/Committee on Equal Opportunities.

The Commission is an independent state agency responsible for enforcing the Tennessee Human Rights Act and the Tennessee Disability Act which prohibits discrimination based on race, color, national origin, gender, age (40 and over), creed, religion, disability and retaliation in housing, employment and public accommodations. To report discrimination or to receive additional information about the agency, please call: 1-800-251-3589 or visit the agency's website at www.tn.gov/humanrights.

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